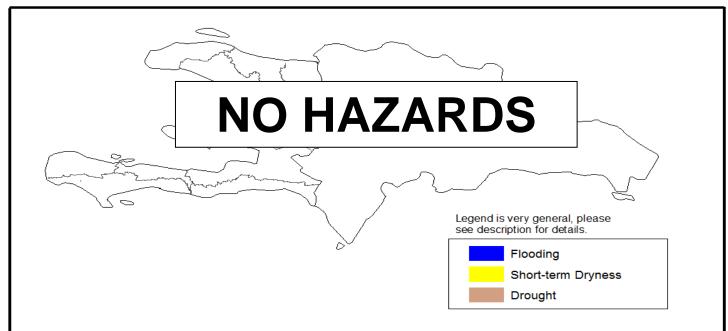






Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET May 31 – June 6, 2012

Little to no rainfall was observed across Hispaniola during the past week.



After several weeks of steady, above-average heavy rains, rainfall across Hispaniola during the past week was suppressed. While little to no rain (<5mm) were observed across Haiti, localized rain gauges in the southern Dominican Republic recorded light to moderate precipitation (10-30mm). The reduction in rainfall has provided relief to saturated areas across much of the Dominican Republic where seasonal rainfall anomalies are 2 to 4 times the normal precipitation amounts. Even with little rainfall during the past week, 30 day rainfall surpluses exist across all of Hispaniola. For a second consecutive week, suppressed rains are forecast for Hispaniola. The highest rainfall amounts (5-25mm) are forecast across northern Hispaniola while central and southern portions of Hispaniola should receive lighter amounts of rain (1-10mm). The reduced rainfall forecast should aid in reducing the risk for flooding in saturated areas.